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In re Application of

MIYAKOSHI et al. : DECISION ON

Application No.: 10/587,949

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Attorney's Docket No.: 060434 :

For: COLLOIDAL METAL-CONTAINING URUSHI : LACQUER AND URUSHI LACQUERED ARTICLE :

This is a decision on the submission filed by applicants on 02 August 2006, which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, a declaration of the inventors. The indication in this declaration that inventor Kisuke Nagase is deceased has been treated as a request for status under 37 CFR 1.42.

BACKGROUND

On 08 February 2005, applicants filed international application PCT/JP2005/001809 which claimed a priority date of 17 February 2004 and designated the United States. A copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office from the International Bureau on 25 August 2005. The thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired at midnight on 17 August 2006.

On 02 August 2006, applicants filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee, an English translation of the international application, and a declaration of inventors. The indication in this declaration that inventor Kisuke Nagase is deceased has been treated as a request for status under 37 CFR 1.42.

DISCUSSION

The declaration filed 02 August 2006 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b). The declaration does not include the full name *and citizenship* of the deceased inventor (37 CFR 1.497(a)(3)).

Additionally, the declaration of inventors filed 02 August 2006 is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.69(b); specifically applicants have not used one of the pre-approved foreign language forms nor have applicants furnished the requisite statement attesting to the accuracy of the translation.

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CONCLUSION

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For the above reasons, the request for status under 37 CFR 1.42 is **REFUSED**.

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this matter to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

Applicant is required to submit a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and 1.42 and either a pre-approved foreign language declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a)-(b) or the requisite statement under 37 CFR 1.69(b) that the translation is accurate within a time period of **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this Decision. THIS PERIOD FOR RESPONSE MAY BE EXTENDED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT. Any request for reconsideration of this decision should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Submission Under 37 CFR 1.42."

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